



# Smart Villages Design Poster Competition 2024

(as part of COSVARD 2024)

09 - 10 December 2024 (Hybrid Mode)

## Smart Villages Program

Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning  
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## University of Melbourne

### Organising committee:

A/Prof Hemanta Doloi (Chair)  
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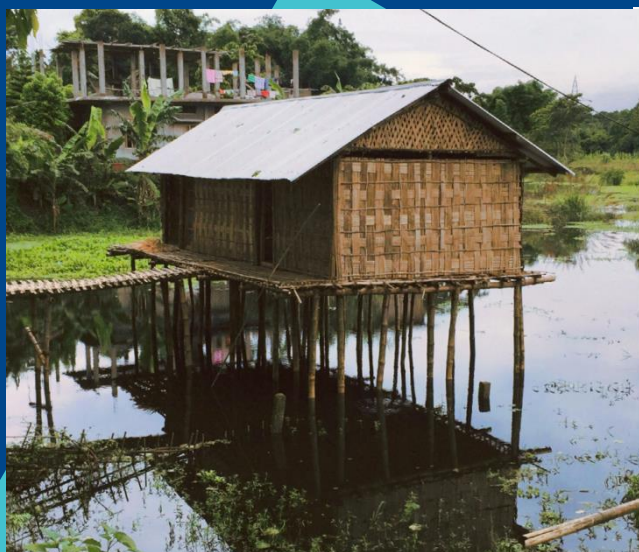
### Local Support Committee:

Prof Ashwin Mahalingam  
Prof Koshy Varghese

## Key Associated Institutions

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras  
Smart Cities Research Institute (SCRI) -  
Swinburne University of Technology,  
Australia

Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi  
Indian Institute of Technology, Tirupati  
Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati



### Key Dates

Expression of Interest (abstract): 15 May 2024  
Full poster submission: 30 June 2024  
Full poster acceptance: 30 August 2024  
Camera ready poster: 30 October 2024

Registration on or before: 30 October 2024  
Conference date: 09-10 December 2024

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## Design Brief

As part of the COSVARD 2024 conference, the organising committee is calling for submissions of posters that communicate innovative solutions for “Smart Village” development in rural contexts.

Following the published deadlines, participants are required to first submit a 200-word abstract expressing the intent and scope of the poster. The expression of interest must be submitted using the COMS portal (<https://coms.app/COSVARD-2024/welcome.html>) where the authors are required to register by signing in online. Once the abstract is accepted, participants will be asked to electronically submit the poster by the deadline.

Posters should clearly communicate innovative solutions for Smart Housing, Infrastructure or Whole Village Improvement, with an emphasis on sustainable development. We are particularly looking for innovative ways of promoting alternative energy, water conservation, sustainable construction materials, waste management, ecological conservation and enhancement, enhancement of existing communities or any combination of these factors.

Individuals and multidisciplinary teams of students, academics and professionals in relevant disciplinary areas related to rural, smart village development, and other areas are encouraged to submit posters communicating their proposed ideas.

## Submissions

The final poster for the presentation and exhibition in COSVARD 2024 will need to be prepared in high resolution images. Entrants will need to prepare their posters as a single A1 size, colour sheet, that communicates their smart village solution(s). In addition to online submission on COMS portal, the poster should also be emailed to the organising committee as a reduced PDF file (no larger than 10 megabits, A3 size) at <hdoloi@unimelb.edu.au> and <cosvard-admin@unimelb.edu.au>.

Submissions must include name(s), title, affiliation and a poster title. Posters that are accepted for face-to-face presentation at the conference will need to be brought by the entrants as full sized (A1), colour printed posters to the conference, at which time they will be displayed and judged.

The three best posters will be awarded prizes and their creators will be expected to provide a brief presentation of the content of their posters to the conference audience.

## Awards and Prizes

*Awards and prizes will be announced on the COSVARD 2024 homepage shortly.*

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